

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1446 - SB 1771

January 28, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a party in any civil or criminal proceeding from discovering a statement of compensation paid to an expert witness for any study and testimony in a case unless good cause is shown and the discovery is pursuant to a court order.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The bill affects procedural processes or criminal and civil proceedings, but it does not affect substantive criminal offenses. The bill will not increase misdemeanor or felony prosecutions.
- It is assumed that the courts, district attorneys, and public defenders can handle any impact within their existing resources.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts, the District Attorneys General Conference, and the District Public Defenders Conference confirm that any impact can be handled within their existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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